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2. Officials include:

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- a. Dr. Peck, a member of the MDPD, from Pomerania, [redacted] Peck is said to have belonged to the "National Committee for a free Germany"; he is departmental chief in the "Eastern Division".
- b. Dr. Günther Gerecke, formerly Minister of Agriculture in Lower Saxony; he is said to work in the "Western Division" of the Foreign Ministry.
- c. Dr. von Harnack, who is said to have had connections with the so-called "Rote Kapelle", an espionage organization working for the USSR during World War II. Details on Harnack's assignment were unknown.
- d. One Czermak who is said to be the Foreign Minister's right hand.
- e. Von Wangenheim, living in Klein-Machnow. His assignment is unknown.
- f. John Peet, formerly chief of the Reuter Bureau in Berlin.

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3. The offices in the building of the Foreign Ministry are not marked by numbers, nor are the names of the officials working there written on doors. Persons who enter the building while on official duty are escorted to the officials they want to see and after the interview escorted again to the gate of the building.

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